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To: CRC@acton-ma.gov

Subject: Proposed rail trail parking on Couette farmland, Acton, MA.

Hello,

I own 18 Maple St. in Acton. The proposed parking for the rail trail on the Couette farmland will greatly impact my property values, privacy and piece of mind. I cannot attend the meeting on June 13, but here are my thoughts.

First, I am asking that the proposed parking can and will be eliminated IF the Montourri property, directly across from my house, can become rail trail parking in the future. If parking becomes essential behind my house, I ask that it NOT be against the beautiful stone wall that borders the end of my and my neighbors properties, but in the far corner of the farm, closest to the rail trail terminus. Who would but this house from me with parking against this beautiful wall? This is my house's view of the farmland and beyond. Also, keeping parking at the trail terminus, a greater distance from the commuter rail, will discourage commuters from using the rail trail lot for commuter parking. (Is there a plan to prevent commuters from parking there)? Second, what about providing some some parking on Silvia Street (off Main) as well, to share the burden with other households other than ours?

Thank you, Steven Manning 18 Maple St. Acton, Ma.